## HOUSE RESOLUTION 444 By Cooper B

A RESOLUTION to congratulate E.E. Jeter Elementary School on their new music room.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those schools that, through their unflagging commitment to excellence, create and maintain an educational environment in which the youth of this State can thrive; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary school is E.E. Jeter Elementary School of the Shelby County School system, which recently underwent a \$3.9 million renovation that included a revamped and expanded music room; and

WHEREAS, a school with a musical tradition, E.E. Jeter Elementary, located in Shelby Forest, is the alma mater of pop star Justin Timberlake, whose personal foundation donated \$50,000 to the music program there and at Woodstock Middle School; and

WHEREAS, soul superstar Al Green was among the parents of students who attended E.E. Jeter Elementary, and it is highly appropriate that school officials lobbied for an upgrade of the old music room when renovation plans where developed; and

WHEREAS, this K-5 school now boasts an exemplary music room that is twice the size of a regular classroom and contains 15 Yamaha electronic keyboards linked to a central computer and libraries of CDs and sheet music; and

WHEREAS, continuing E.E. Jeter's musical tradition, music teacher Sandra Buchanan will possibly train future Al Greens and Justin Timberlakes as she uses the facility to teach general music and group piano; and

WHEREAS, Principal Paulette Bond and the entire E.E. Jeter Elementary School community are rightfully proud of their new music education facility and look forward to the innovations yet to come, including a portable stage, a sound system for the gym, instruments, and more music room computers; and

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WHEREAS, led by Principal Bond, the teachers and staff have devoted countless hours and utilized their invaluable talents to make E.E. Jeter Elementary stand out as a beacon of excellence in the educational community of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby congratulate E.E. Jeter Elementary on their newly renovated music room and commend the faculty and students on their commitment to music education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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